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Sir:

This paper responds to the Office action dated March 6, 2006. Applicants have enclosed with this paper an English Language Translation of Japanese Application No. JP 1999-201887, to which the instant application claims priority, a verification of English Language Translation by Matsuo Tanaka, and a copy of an article by Peretti et. al. Clin. Pharmacokinet. 2002; 41(7): 485-504.

Amendments to the Specification begin on page 2 of this document. Amendments to the Claims are reflected in the listing of claims which begins on page 4 of this document. Remarks begin on page 7 of this document. Please amend the application as follows:

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